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SUBJECT: DRAFTING GROUP MEETING JULY 14, 1975 (SALT TWO -668)

1. IN ACCORDANCE WITH DIRECTIONS FROM CHIEFS OF DELEGATIONS, DRAFTING GROUP MET JULY 14 IN 2 1/2 HOUR SESSION TO DISCUSS JDT ARTICLE XVIII AND SOVIET JULY 7 PROPOSALS (SCC)), AND JDT ARTICLE IV (INTERIM AGREEMENT CARRY-OVERS, ETC). SOVIET LAWYER YEVSEYEV JOINED DRAFTING GROUP DISCUSSIONS.

2. DISCUSSIONS DEALT ONLY WITH SCC ARTICLE. AD REFERENDUM AGREEMENT WAS REACHED ON PARAGRAPH 1, INTRODUCTORY PHRASE TO PARAGRAPH 2, AND SUBPARAGRAPHS ON COMPLIANCE, VOLUNTARY INFORMATION, UNINTENDED INTERFERENCE WITH NTM, AND CHANGES IN STRATEGIC SITUATION.(SUBPARAS C,D, E, AND F OF JDT) SOVIETS AGREED TO LANGUAGE ON CONSIDERING PROPOSALS TO INCREASE VIABILITY OF AGREEMENT.IN FIRST PORTION OF SUBPARA G, BUT OPPOSED US POSITION ON AMENDMENTS IN SUBPARA G AND ON CONSIDERING PROPOSALS FOR FURTHER MEASURES LIMITING STRATEGIC ARMS(SUBPARA H). AS PREVIOUSLY , SOVIETS SAID THEY WOULD RECONSIDER THEIR POSITION ON AMENDMENTS IN GENERAL(PRESUMABLY IN ARTICLES XVIII AND XIX) IF US AGREED TO SOVIET ARTICLE ON FUTURE NEGOTIATIONS.

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TIATIONS. FOLLOWING EXTENDED DISCUSSION THEY AGREED WITH US

CONTENTION THAT SCC ALREADY HAS COMPETENCE, UNDER ARTICLE XVIII OF ABM TREATY, TO CONSIDER PROPOSALS FOR FURTHER LIMITATIONS ON STRATEGIC ARMS, BUT THEY MAINTAINED US JDT SUBPARAGRAPH (H) WOULD BE REDUNDANT TO ARTICLE ON FUTURE NEGOTIATIONS.

3. NEXT MEETING THURSDAY, JULY 17. JOHNSON.

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